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Prof Helen Bartlett
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8:50 Opening Remarks from the Chair

Colette Rogers, *Partner, National Education Lead, Deloitte*

9:00 Welcome from The Australian Financial Review

Robert Bolton, *Education Editor, The Australian Financial Review*

AUSTRALIA'S HIGHER EDUCATION OUTLOOK

9:10 MINISTERIAL KEYNOTE ADDRESS

The Hon Dan Tehan MP, **Minister for Education**
(Followed by Q&A with Robert Bolton)

9:40 PANEL | MINISTERIAL DEBRIEF

Professor Clare Pollock, *Acting Vice-Chancellor, Senior Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Students), Flinders University*

Professor Deborah Terry, *Vice-Chancellor, UQ & Chair, Universities Australia*

Vicki Thomson, *Chief Executive Officer, Group of Eight (Go8)*

Moderator: Robert Bolton, *Education Editor, The Australian Financial Review*

10:10 Economic Outlook for the University Sector

John O'Mahony, *Partner, Deloitte Access Economics*

10:40 Morning Break

PANDEMIC RESPONSE & RECOVERY

11:00 Navigating the New Norm – The Future State of Play of Australian Universities

Professor Duncan Maskell, *Vice-Chancellor & President, The University of Melbourne*

11:30 PANEL | How Can Universities Respond and Recover From Pandemic Impact

Professor Helen Bartlett, *Vice-Chancellor and President, USC Australia*

Professor Frank Larkins, *Professor Emeritus, School of Chemistry, The University of Melbourne*

Professor Duncan Maskell, *Vice-Chancellor & President, The University of Melbourne*

Catriona Jackson, *Chief Executive, Universities Australia*

Moderator: Robert Bolton, *Education Editor, The Australian Financial Review*

12:00 Lunch Break

FUNDING

12:40 Universities Debt Level

Martin Foo, *Associate Director, Sovereign and International Public Finance, S&P Global Ratings*

12:55 Performance Funding

Professor Paul Wellings, *Vice-Chancellor & President, University of Wollongong*

13:10 Future of Funding

Kerrie Parker, *Chief Financial Officer, Deakin University*

13:25 Q&A FOLLOWING PRESENTATIONS

Moderator: Pradeep Philip, *Lead Partner, Deloitte Access Economics*

13:55 PANEL | Purpose of the University Beyond 2020

- Where will the revenue come from?
- Growth & challenges?
- Will there be mergers & acquisitions?
- What will future business models look like to ensure sustainability of Australian universities?

Andrew Norton, *Professor in the Practice of Higher Education Policy, ANU*

Professor David Lloyd, *Vice-Chancellor & President, University of South Australia*

Professor Dawn Freshwater, *Vice-Chancellor, The University of Auckland (NZ)*

Moderator: Ronald Mizen, *National Reporter, Parliament House Bureau, The Australian Financial Review*

14:25 Afternoon Break

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MARKET

14:45 INTERNATIONAL KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Addressing the State of the UK Market

Professor Simon Marginson, *Professor of Higher Education, University of Oxford (UK)*

15:15 PANEL | How Do we Revive the International Student Market?

Professor Nick Klomp, *Vice-Chancellor and President, CQUniversity*

Laurie Pearcey, *CEO, UNSW Global and Pro Vice-Chancellor, UNSW Sydney*

Tania Rhodes-Taylor, *Vice-Principal, External Relations, The University of Sydney*

Moderator: Sally Patten, *Editor, BOSS Magazine*

15:45 Close of Day One



DAY 2: Thursday, 1 October 2020

9:00 Opening Remarks from Robert Bolton, *Education Editor, The Australian Financial Review*

9:10 **OPPOSITION KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

The Hon. Tanya Plibersek,
Shadow Minister for Education & Training (followed by Q and A with Robert Bolton)

9:40 **The Role of Business within the University Sector**

Belinda Hutchinson AC, *Chancellor, The University of Sydney*

10:10 **Improving University Admission Chances and Choices**

Jamie Beaton, *CEO and Co-Founder, Crimson Education (NZ)*

10:30 **PANEL | University Readiness**

- What are schools offering?
- ATAR pushback
- How to make students university ready

Jamie Beaton, *CEO and Co-Founder, Crimson Education (NZ)*

Dr Fiona Mueller, *Adjunct Scholar, Centre for Independent Studies*

Associate Professor Glenn Savage, *Senior Lecturer, Anthropology and Sociology, The University of Western Australia*

Julie Sonnemann, *School Education Fellow, Grattan Institute*

Moderator: Robert Bolton, *Education Editor, The Australian Financial Review*

11:00 Morning Break

11:30 **Outlook for 2040 - Research initiatives**

Professor Ian Jacobs, *Vice-Chancellor & President, UNSW*

11:50 **PANEL | A Look at the Future of Research**

Professor John Spoehr, *Pro-Vice Chancellor, Research Impact, Flinders University*

Dr David Kershaw, *Chief Science Engagement and Impact Division, Defence Science and Technology*

Professor Anton Middelberg, *Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Vice-President, Research, The University of Adelaide*

Moderator: Sally Patten, *Editor, BOSS Magazine*

12:20 **Addressing the Expanded Role of TEQSA**

Alistair Maclean, *CEO, TEQSA*

12:40 **PANEL | What is the Potential to Integrate with the VET Sector?**

David Coltman, *CEO, TAFE South Australia*

Claire Field, *Director, Claire Field & Associates*

Steve Joyce, *Director, Joyce Advisory*

Professor Belinda Tynan, *Deputy Vice-Chancellor Education and Vice-President, RMIT University*

Moderator: Matt Wright, *Partner, Deloitte Access Economics*

13:10 Closing Remarks from the Chair



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